pleased to order the investigation of the project with reference to the availability of water and whether the Government will come to a decision either to abandon the scheme or to defer the scheme only after such an investigation is made? "

THE HON. RAJA SRI SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" The hon. Member will please repeat the question."

SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN :—" The other day, the Hon. the Chief Minister was pleased to say that the scheme had to be deferred just because water was not available. He further stated that the scheme was not fully investigated into. I want that the scheme should be further investigated fully with reference to the availability of water and then only the Government should come to a decision whether it should be taken up or abandoned. Merely saying that the scheme has been deferred in view of the uncertainty of supplies of water has no meaning at all. I wish to know categorically whether the Government will take up further investigation of the scheme or not? "

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" There is no question resulting from the speech of the hon. Member."

SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN :—" I want to know whether the Government are going to investigate the scheme with reference to the availability of water or not."

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" The suggestion in the question is that we should come to an immediate decision and not take time to make a decision. This also will be taken into consideration."

Liquor permit-holders in Udayarpalayam taluk.

* 294 *Q.*—SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Prohibition be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there are any liquor permit-holders in Udayarpalayam taluk, Tiruchirappalli district; and

(*b*) if so, the number of such holders with the periods of the respective permits?

THE HON. SRIMATHI JOTHI VENCATACHELLUM :—" (*a*) The answer is in the negative.

" (*b*) Does not arise."

New Well-subsidy Scheme for the South Arcot district.

* 295 *Q.*—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state the total number of wells in respect of which

(1) recovery of subsidy; and

(2) write off of proposals were sanctioned in South Arcot district during the fasli years 1358 to 1362 under the New Well-subsidy Scheme?